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FOODGRAINS UNDER SGRY
SHRINIWAS DADASAHEB PATIL

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidences of delayed supply of foodgrains to the beneficiaries under Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) are noticed by the Central Government during the last two years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government for timely supply of foodgrains under the yojana?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a) The Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) has become fully operative from Ist April, 2002. During previous year and current year, complaints of delayed supply of foodgrains under the Scheme have been received from various States such as Assam, Bihar, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Karnataka Uttar Pradesh etc. from time to time.

(b) The reasons for such delayed supply of foodgrains are inadequate infrastructure, transportation of foodgrians from other States, non-availability of Railway treks for transportation of foodgrains, release of large quantity of foodgrains for drought relief works, etc.

(c) As and when such complaints are received, the FCI has been requested to take immediate steps for supply of foodgrains. Besides, meetings are held from time to time with the officials of the FCI and the Department of Food & Public Distributiorto review the supply of foodgrains under the programme.